Rio Salado & Tempe Beach Park Master Plan

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION
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Integrated Planning & Projects





Sustainable Growth & Development Financial Stability

Quality of Life

Urban Core Area





NW Neighborhoods

Downtown

ASU Athletics

ASU Campus

Novus Innovation Corridor

ASU Shopping District

ASU TOD District

Tempe Town Lake District

Rio Salado District

APS Ocotillo Power Plant

Tempe Market Place

Industrial and Business District

Apache Mix-Use Neighborhood

Apache Residential Neighborhood

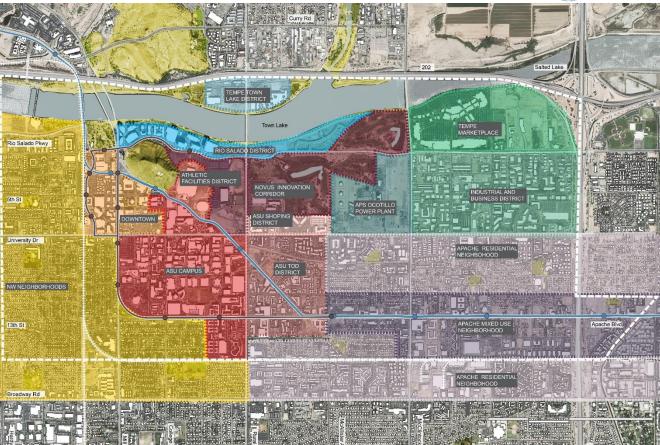
Urban Core Area

Street Car (Construction)

Light Rail Line

Union Pacific Railroad

Open Spaces, Parks and Reserves



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Smith Industrial Hub



Connecting the Rio Salado Park with the Innovation Districts

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- Notice to Proceed: August 10, 2017
- Price Road to McClintock Road; 202 Freeway to Rio Salado Blvd.
- Consultants: Holly Street Studio Architects + Floor Associates, Landscape Architects
- End of Project: coordinated with Urban Core









Project Purpose



The Rio Salado Park Master Plan is a visionary look at the next 20-30 years. It is the roadmap, offering a variety of destinations for people traveling across the street or across the nation.

It offers opportunities for recreation, relaxation, economic diversity, social engagement, ecological exploration, education, competition and so much more.



- Master Plan Process
 - Task 1: Analyze
 - Existing Planning Documents
 - Parks & Recreation Plan
 - BRV Placemaking Report (DTA)
 - ASU Stadium 365, Novus Innovation Corridor
 - Task 2: Gather Input
 - Task 3: Create Conceptual Plan
- Ongoing collaboration
 - Urban Core, TOD and Housing Plan
 - Character Area Plan

Current Conditions



Largest events in Tempe Beach

| Aloha Fest | 100,000 |
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- Oktoberfest 100,000
- Kiwanis 4th of July 50,000
- Rock 'n Roll Marathon 35,000
- Pat's Run 35,000
- Ironman 20,000
- Innings Festival (New) 30,000











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Assets in Rio Salado Park























Principles



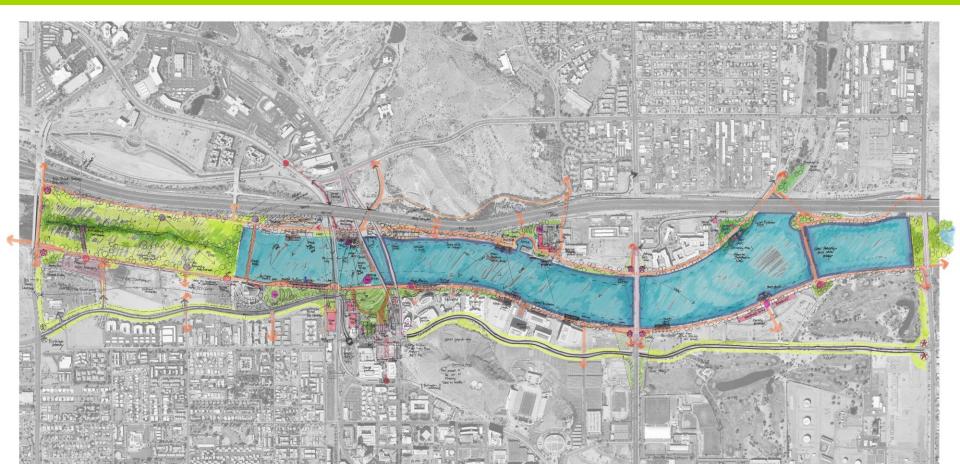
Establish principles that will allow for diversity in design & planning while maintaining consistent vision and level of quality.



- Provide public access and ownership
- Expand and strengthen connectivity
- Create shade
- Unite public & private spaces
- Program to attract wide variety of users, activities, interests
- Emphasize sustainability for environment, economics, operations & maintenance, and social benefits

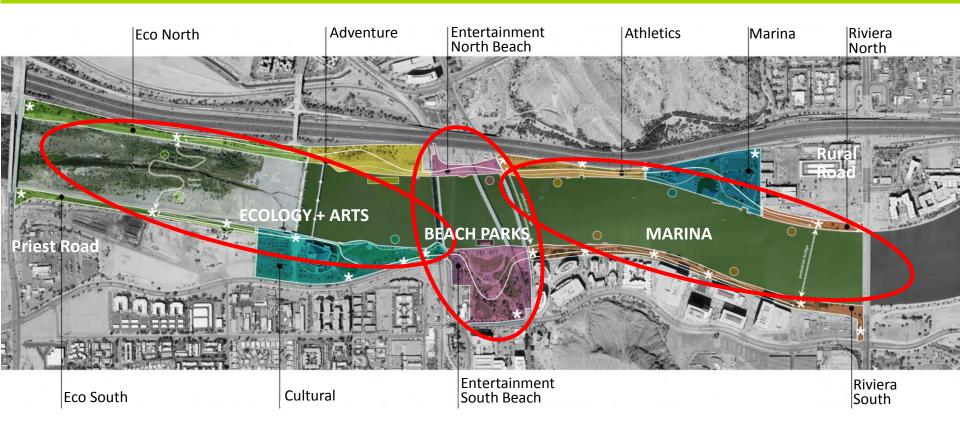
Draft Conceptual Master Plan





Activity Zones





Eco Zones + Arts Park





Major Entries

view

Riparian Area

elevated deck & bridge nature conservatory education viewing outlooks birdwatching tours

Arts Park

sculpture gardens amphitheater arts play area TCA fine dining artists in the park















North Beach Park





'Between the Bridges'

sports pub beach rentals

Active sports:

volley ball zip line outdoor gym rock climbing wall skate park

Lawn sports:

bocce ball lawn tennis

Lounging:

hammocks deck chairs beach blankets















South Beach Park





The Plaza

grand entry history active daily ice rink (winter holiday)

The Park

multiple venues permanent stage rentals kiosks food & drink

Play Parks

kids & adults night & day zip line

Games

chess, checkers corn hole









































The Marina





Boat House

boat docks & taxi restaurant small amphitheater parking garage retail

Sports

sand volley ball terraced viewing sand beach boating

South Shore

viewing decks kiosks docks food & retail

















Eco Zone East





The Swimming Hole

water access dock shady grove picnics small venue

The Boardwalk

boat dock sand beach cabanas food & retail

Pedestrian Bridge

plazas & parklets

Eco Zone

nature trails riparian area wildlife















Precedent: The Oval















Collaborations

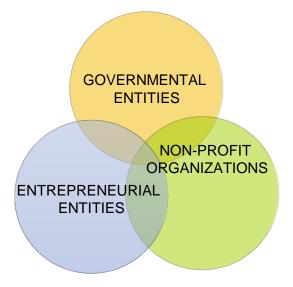


Developing the Rio Salado Park as a first-class destination and local amenity requires a long term commitment to fund, build and maintain it into the future.



McCain said in August, "I've been fooling around with this project for many, many years. And it wasn't ready until we saw the incredible success of the Tempe Town Lake."

Partnerships & Collaborations



- Rio Salado Foundation
- Downtown Tempe Authority
- Sonoran Institute
- Corps of Engineers
- Rio Salado Project: John McCain
- University City Exchange ASU
- Desert Botanical Garden
- US EPA
- Arizona Forward
- AZ Forest Service
- Urban Land Institute
- Sustainable Cities Network
- Sustainable Communities Collaborative
- Trees Matter
- SRP
- Watershed Management
- MAG
- City of Phoenix
- City of Mesa
- Entrepreneurial Entities

Key Events/Next Steps



- Two public workshops on Feb 28 (125 attendees)
 - 104 survey responses (Rio Salado Park)
 - 68 survey responses (Urban Core)
- Stakeholder meeting: May 9, 11:30 a.m.
- Public meeting: May 9, 6:00 p.m.
- Final public review in August 2018
- Presentation to Council towards adoption: Fall 2018







